## Memorandum

Agenda Item No. 8(M)(6)



Date:

July 3, 2012

To:

Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

From:

Carlos A. Gimenez

Mayor

Subject:

Florida Good Faith Investors, LLC d/b/a Good Faith Medical Transportation and Shuttle

Service Application for Four Nonemergerby Vehicles

#### RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners (Board) approve the application of Florida Good Faith Investors, LLC d/b/a Good Faith Medical Transportation and Shuttle Service for four (4) Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity to operate four (4) nonemergency vehicles.

#### SCOPE

These Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity are countywide, allowing the certificate holder to operate in unincorporated and incorporated areas of Miami-Dade County.

#### FISCAL IMPACT/FUNDING SOURCE

Licensing, operating permit and inspection fees are collected by the Department of Regulatory and Economic Resources to support regulatory activities. There is an annual regulatory fee of \$625 per certificate that will yield \$2,500 in revenue annually for the new certificates. Vehicle inspections are \$38 per vehicle.

#### TRACK RECORD/MONITOR

Applicant is an existing permit holder with one (1) nonemergency certificate. The applicant is in compliance with all Code requirements. The Department of Regulatory and Economic Resources will be responsible for monitoring this company.

#### BACKGROUND

On December 18, 1980, the Board of County Commissioners adopted Ordinance 80-145, later codified in Chapter 4, Article III of the Code of Miami-Dade County, providing for the regulation of nonemergency medical transportation. Section 4-44 of the County Code provides the procedures to be followed by the County in processing certificate applications. Based upon those requirements, the Board may issue or refuse to issue the certificate as applied for, or may issue the certificate with modifications or upon such terms and conditions as in its judgment the public interest may require. In reaching a determination, the Board shall consider the application, the Mayor's recommendation, all matters presented during the public hearing, and among others, the following criteria:

- (1) The ability of the applicant to provide the proposed service;
- (2) The adequacy of the management plan of the applicant; and
- (3) The benefits that will accrue to the public interest from the proposed service.

Florida Good Faith Investors, LLC d/b/a Good Faith Medical Transportation and Shuttle Service, located at 545 NE 160 Terrace, North Miami, Florida 33162, seeks to obtain four (4) Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide combination wheelchair and stretcher nonemergency medical transportation service to individuals requiring this type of transportation.

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The applicant seeks to transport patients to and from various medical facilities throughout Miami-Dade County seven (7) days a week, 24 hours a day. Nonemergency Transportation rates are not regulated by Miami-Dade County; however, under the Code the Certificate Holder must file their rates with the Department of Regulatory and Economic Resources and post them within the passenger compartment section of each vehicle. The proposed rates are listed on the attached rate schedule. The vehicles operated under these certificates will be required to meet the requirements of Section 4-49 of the Code establishing vehicle inspection frequencies.

The management plan submitted by Mr. Dava Germain, Manager of Florida Good Faith Investors, LLC d/b/a Good Faith Medical Transportation and Shuttle Service, includes maintenance, communication, and record keeping systems and meets the requirements of the Code. All required financial statements and credit references have been submitted. The proposed service standards meet all requirements of the Code and adequately meet transportation and comfort needs. A background investigation reveals no criminal record within the last five years for the officer(s) of the corporation.

The proposed services to be provided under this certificate will increase the availability of licensed nonemergency medical transportation in Miami-Dade County thus providing increased competition and high service standards to the public.

Jack Osterholt Deputy Mayor



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FROM:	R. A. Cuevas, Jr. County Attorney	SUBJECT:	Agenda Item No. 8(M)(6)
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	"3-Day Rule" for committees applicable i	f raised	
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	4 weeks notification to municipal officials hearing	required prio	or to public
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	Budget required		
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u	Applicable legislation requires more than 3/5's, unanimous) to approve	a majority vo	ote (i.e., 2/3's,
*	Current information regarding funding s		

Approved	<u> Mayor</u>	Agenda Item No. 8(M)(6)
Veto		7-3-2012
Override	<del></del>	
	RESOLUTION NO.	

RESOLUTION APPROVING APPLICATION FOR FOUR (4) **CERTIFICATES** OF **PUBLIC CONVENIENCE** NECESSITY TO FLORIDA GOOD FAITH INVESTORS, LLC D/B/A GOOD FAITH MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION & **COMBINATION** SHUTTLE SERVICE PROVIDE TO WHEELCHAIR AND STRETCHER NONEMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

WHEREAS, this Board desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying memorandum, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board approves the application by Florida Good Faith Investors, LLC d/b/a Good Faith Medical Transportation & Shuttle Service for four (4) Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity to operate four (4) nonemergency vehicles to provide wheelchair nonemergency medical transportation in Miami-Dade County.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Joe A. Martinez, Chairman Audrey M. Edmonson, Vice Chairwoman

Bruno A. Barreiro Esteban L. Bovo, Jr. Sally A. Heyman Jean Monestime Rebeca Sosa Xavier L. Suarez

Lynda Bell Jose "Pepe" Diaz Barbara J. Jordan Dennis C. Moss Sen. Javier D. Souto

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The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 3<sup>rd</sup> day July, 2012. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA BY ITS BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By:	
Deputy Clerk	

Approved by County Attorney as to form and legal sufficiency.

GKS

Gerald K. Sanchez

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